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REBUTEL JULY NINE LAST TO NEW YORK, AIRMAIL COPY TO DALLAS CONCERNING LEAK OF INFORMATION AS CARRIED IN "THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS", JUNE TWENTYSEVEN AND TWENTYEIGHT, LAST.

FOR INFO OF HOUSTON, BUTEL, JULY NINE, LAST SET OUT THAT THIS MATTER RELATES TO THE OSWALD DIARY LEAKED TO "THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS", "NEWSWEEK" AND "LIFE" MAGAZINES. AN ANONYMOUS SOURCE, WHO TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE DALLAS OFFICE, ADVISED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ORIGINALLY PUT UP BY NEWSWEEK MAGAZINE RE THE INFORMATION IN THE DIARY. TO DATE INVESTIGATION INDICATES ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY WILLIAM F. ALEXANDER, HUGH AYNESWORTH REPORTER FOR THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS AND REPORTER CARL FREUND ALONG WITH OTHERS ARE INVOLVED. BECAUSE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY HENRY WADE-S CURRENT ATTITUDE TOWARD HIS ASSISTANT ALEXANDER, ALEXANDER NEEDED A "PATSY" AND HAD TOLD WADE THE DIARY AND OTHER DOCUMENTS HAD BEEN RELEASED TO

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NEWSWEEK AND LIFE MAGAZINES BY REPRESENTATIVE FORD. DALLAS SOURCE STATED HE HAS LEARNED THERE IS NO TRUTH WHATSOEVER TO THE ALLEGATION THAT FORD "LEAKED" THE DIARY OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS TO NEWS MEDIA. SOURCE ALSO ADVISED REPORTER HUGH AYNESWORTH HAS RECENTLY BEEN DESIGNATED THE CORRESPONDENT FOR NEWSWEEK MAGAZINE IN DALLAS.

KERMIT LANSNER, EXECUTIVE EDITOR, NEWSWEEK, FOUR FOUR FOUR MADISON AVE., NY, NY, ADVISED SAS JOSEPH T. CORRIGAN AND JAMES O. INGRAM THIS DATE KARL FLEMING, A REPORTER FOR THEIR MAGAZINE WITH HEADQUARTERS IN HOUSTON WAS APPROACHED BY REPORTER HUGH AYNESWORTH, OF THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS ABOUT ONE MONTH AGO IN DALLAS CONCERNING OSWALD-S DIARY. AYNESWORTH REPORTEDLY TOLD FLEMING THAT NEWSWEEK COULD SHARE IN THE PUBLICATION OF OSWALDS DIARY FOR FEE OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. LANSNER SAID NEWSWEEK TURNED THE OFFER DOWN DUE TO FACT NEWSWEEK INTENDS TO PUBLISH AN EXTENSIVE STORY BASED UPON THE WARREN COMMISSION REPORT. LANSNER SAID PETER GOLDMAN, ASSOCIATE EDITOR, AND FLEMING ARE THE TWO REPRESENTATIVES WHO HANDLED ALL CONTACT WITH AYNESWORTH AND COULD FURNISH COMPLETE DETAILS.

LANSNER ADVISED THEIR MAGAZINE, ISSUE OF JULY THIRTEEN, PAGE FIFTY, CARRIES AN ARTICLE RE OSWALD AND THE DIARY. STATES AYNESWORTH IS NOT EMPLOYED BY THEIR MAGAZINE BUT HAS BEEN A

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STRINGER REPORTER IN THE PAST. EXPLAINED AYNESWORTH HAS SUBMITTED STORIES TO THEM IN THE PAST WHICH THEIR MAGAZINE PAID FOR. NO MONEY PAID TO AYNESWORTH FOR DIARY, AND STATES FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE DIARY IS "QUITE A JOKE".

LESTER BERNSTEIN, SENIOR EDITOR, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT PETER GOLDMAN AND KARL FLEMING HANDLED ALL CONTACTS WITH AYNESWORTH RE DIARY. STATES ABOVE TWO APPROACHED BY AYNESWORTH FOR COPY OF DIARY FOR FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. "NEWSWEEK" DID NOT PURCHASE PUBLICATION RIGHTS TO DIARY AND AYNESWORTH WHO IS NOT EMPLOYED BY THEIR MAGAZINE RECEIVED NO MONEY FROM NEWSWEEK. NO OTHER NAMES HAVE BEEN FURNISHED BY GOLDMAN AS SOURCES RE DIARY. STATES THEIR MAGAZINE WOULD NOT PAY THE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND DEFINITELY WOULD NOT PAY FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS.

PETER L. GOLDMAN, ASSOCIATE EDITOR, ADVISED THIS DATE HE TRAVELLED TO DALLAS ON JUNE SEVEN LAST TO OBTAIN BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE ASSASSINATION. GOLDMAN ALSO WANTED TO BE IN DALLAS WHEN CHIEF JUSTICE WARREN AND MEMBERS OF HIS COMMISSION ARRIVED IN DL. GOLDMAN IS PRESENTLY WRITING STORY RE OSWALD AND WILL BE PUBLISHED IN NEWSWEEK AFTER WARREN COMMISSION REPORT MADE PUBLIC.

ON SUNDAY, JUNE SEVEN, LAST, HE AND KARL FLEMING MET HUGH AYNESWORTH AT THE COUNTY RECORDS BUILDING IN DALLAS. THIS BUILDING HOUSES RUBY. GOLDMAN SAID THERE HAD BEEN A RUMOR OF AN EXISTING DIARY OF OSWALD-S. COULD NOT FURNISH FACTS WHO STARTED RUMORS OF DIARY. GOLDMAN BROUGHT UP SUBJECT OF DIARY BUT AYNESWORTH

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WAS VAGUE AND UNCOMMUNICATIVE RE DIARY WHILE RECORDS BUILDING.

DURING SUNDAY AFTERNOON, HE, AYNESWORTH, AND FLEMING TOURED THE AREA WHERE PRESIDENT ASSASSINATED. COULD NOT RECALL WHO BROUGHT UP SUBJECT BUT AYNESWORTH STATED HE BELIEVED HE COULD OBTAIN A COPY OF OSWALDS DIARY. HE STATED HE WOULD SHARE IT WITH NEWSWEEK AND HIS PER THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS. HE WAS ENCOURAGED BY FLEMING AND GOLDMAN TO KEEP THEM ADVISED OF HIS ATTEMPTS.

ONJUNE EIGHT, LAST, GOLDMAN AND FLEMING VISITED AYNESWORTH AT HIS NEWSPAPER OFFICE AROUND TEN PM. THEY DISCUSSED DIARY WHILE IN PAPER-S LIBRARY. STATES FLEMING HAD TELEPHONED EDITOR OSBORN ELLIOTT IN NEW YORK AND ELLIOTT STATED NOT INTERESTED. AYNESWORTH WAS NOT ADVISED THAT NEWSWEEK WOULD NOT BUY COPY. GOLDMAN STATES AYNESWORTH WOULD NOT REVEAL HIS SOURCE FOR THE DIARY AND WOULD NOT DISCUSS HOW OR WHERE HE INTENDED TO OBTAIN DIARY. GOLDMAN RETURNED NYC MORNING JUNE NINE, LAST.

GOLDMAN, IN NYC, RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM AYNESWORTH IN DL, JUNE TWENTYTHREE, LAST, AND GOLDMAN ADVISED NEWSWEEK COULD PURCHASE A COPY OF OSWALDS DIARY FOR FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

AYNESWORTH SAID DIARY RUNS TWENTY PAGES AND COMES WITH MISCELLANEOUS OTHER DOCUMENTS. AYNESWORTH AND THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS INTENDED GIVE STORY EIGHT COLUMNS IN SUNDAY NEWS IN COPYRIGHTED STORY. ON JUNE TWENTYFOUR, LAST, GOLDMAN TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED AYNESWORTH IN DL AND ADVISED HIM NEWSWEEK WAS NOT INTERESTED. GOLDMAN DISCUSSED MATTER WITH LANSNER, BERNSTEIN AND EDITOR ELLIOTT AND DECIDED NOT TO PUBLISH DIARY.

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GOLDMAN COULD FURNISH NO ONE WITH EXCEPTION OF FLEMING WHO MIGHT KNOW AYNESWORTH SOURCES. STATES NO MONEY FURNISHED TO REPORTER IN DL AND AYNESWORTH NOT EMPLOYED BY THEIR MAGAZINE.

FLEMING PRESENTLY IN HOUSTON IN MAGAZINE-S OFFICE BUT EXPECTED TO LEAVE FOR SAN FRANCISCO JUNE ELEVEN, NEXT. ELLIOTT PRESENTLY IN SF BUT OFFICIALS STATE HE HAS NO BACKGROUND ON ABOVE WITH EXCEPTION HE GAVE ORDER NOT TO PURCHASE DIARY RIGHTS.

HOUSTON INTERVIEW KARL FLEMING WHO HANDLED FIRST CONTACT WITH AYNESWORTH RE DIARY. SECURE COMPLETE DETAILS. RESULTS ARE TO BE FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU BY TELETYPE FOLLOWED BY APPROPRIATE LHM SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION TO THE PRESIDENTS COMMISSION. THIS IS A MATTER OF PRIORITY. EXPEDITE.

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